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1. The attached Annex A lists the figures for nonferrous metal supplies and distribution in East Germany for 1952. Actual supply exceeds the planned supply in the cases of:

copper  
lead  
brass  
nickel  
solder  
antimony  
cobalt

and fell short in the cases of:

aluminum alloy  
mercury

There was a sharp increase in imports of cadmium, cobalt, chromium and bismuth in the last quarter of the year, all from the USSR.

2. Planned imports of metal for 1953 are as follows:

Copper	10,000 tons	Nickel	600 tons
Lead	8,300 tons	Solder	150 tons
Zinc	10,000 tons	Mercury	500 tons
Bronze	2,000 tons	Magnesium	10 tons
White metal (80% tin)	100 tons	Cadmium	65 tons
Tin	700 tons	Cobalt	30 tons
Chromium	12 tons	Bismuth	5 tons
Beryllium	10 Kg.	Silicon	100 tons

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## 3. The following imports of nonferrous wire and sheet are planned for 1953:

Chrome nickel wire	45 tons
Phosphor bronze	25 tons
Tungsten wire	5,000 Km.
Molybdenum wire	10,000 Km.
Molybdenum sheet	4 tons
Tungsten sheet	1½ tons
Tantalum sheet	500 Kg.

No aluminum foil will be imported in 1953 because of the increased capacity of Merseburg.

Annex to: Information on the production of nonferrous metals, 1953.

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Annex A

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Nonferrous Metal Supplies in East Germany 1952<sup>1</sup>

## SUPPLY

## DISTRIBUTION

Metal	East German Production	Imports	Misc. <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL	East German Consumers	Soviet Sponsored Organizations.	Export	Balance as of 31 December 1952
Copper	27,130	12,510	319	39,959	37,215	760	-	1,984
Aluminum (pure)	15,307	102	38	15,447	15,264	-	183	142
Aluminum (alloy)	12,137	-	516	12,653	11,763	527	-	363
Lead	16,212	8,852	1,164	26,228	24,482	30	-	1,716
Zinc (pure)	None	10,587	360	10,947	8,214	325	-	2,408
Zinc (from scrap)	3,787	-	237	4,024	3,702	6	-	316
Bronze (Incl. "Rotguss")	2,557	1,966	1,356	5,879	3,199	1,711	-	969
White metal (80% tin)	None	100	109	209	142	1	-	66
White metal (10% tin)	1,027	31	638	1,696	1,237	252	-	207
Brass	1,965	-	285	2,250	1,887	138	-	225
Tin (pure)	138	498	114	750	292	60	-	398
Tin (crude)	382	247	40	669	577	19	-	73
Nickel	176	537	7	720	551	70	-	99
Solder	190	146	96	432	242	108	-	82
Antimony	113	700	370	1,183	217	750	-	216
Mercury	None	274	17	291	239	30	-	22
Magnesium	2,193	-	256	2,449	2,361	57	25	6
Cadmium	None	48	2	50	33	1	-	16
Cobalt	None	29	10	39	35	-	-	4
Bismuth	5	4	14	23	12	8	-	3
Chromium	None	5	1	6	1	-	-	5
Molybdenum	None	0.9	-	0.9	0.5	-	-	0.5
Beryllium	None	8 Kg.	23 Kg.	31 Kg.	5 Kg.	-	-	26 Kg.

Semi-Manufactures:<sup>3</sup>

		Misc. <sup>2</sup>						
Brass	10,322	-	2,300	17,566	10,498	323	23	1,778
Aluminum	16,351 <sup>4</sup>	-	1,215	33,217	31,086	821	100 <sup>5</sup>	482
Copper	32,352 <sup>6</sup>	-	865	2,803	2,641	9	762	548
Lead	2,527	31	245				-	153

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Comments:

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1. These figures show the complete return for the whole year.
2. Miscellaneous includes the balance forwarded from 1951, returned stock, and various small acquisitions.
3. The figures for semi-manufactures do not represent additional supplies for those given above.
4. 7,725 tons of this amount were produced by SAGS.
5. This 100 tons of aluminum semi-manufactures is for reparations, the only such item in the nonferrous account.
6. 30,289 tons of this amount were produced by SAGS.

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